JUSTICE DONE BY CONGRESS AFTER MANY YEARS OF DELAY

Confederate Officers, Graduates of West Point, Will Receive Pay.

forms erect, steps firm and bold. Behind the Howitzers' scarlet plumes, Flash in the sunlight, wave in the

The column passes, steady and true, t where, oh! where is the gray line?

Year after year we have watched it Thinner and feebler, a gallant band,

All that was left of the mighty host. That fought and bled for our dear Southland.
"On to Hollywood," year by year, With steps that faltered, but courage

Honoring those "who had gone before," Moved in glory the thin gray line. Too thin and too feeble to brave the

We see them not in the march to-day And many aheart feels a pang of pain
As the column passes along its way. But a rumble rises out of the east

And the storm sweeps down with a force divine, And, methinks, in the thunder's crash I hear Their God's salute to the thin gray

The storm is passed, and the setting

sun Bathes the whole world in a golden glow Like a benediction downward sent From their comrades gone before.

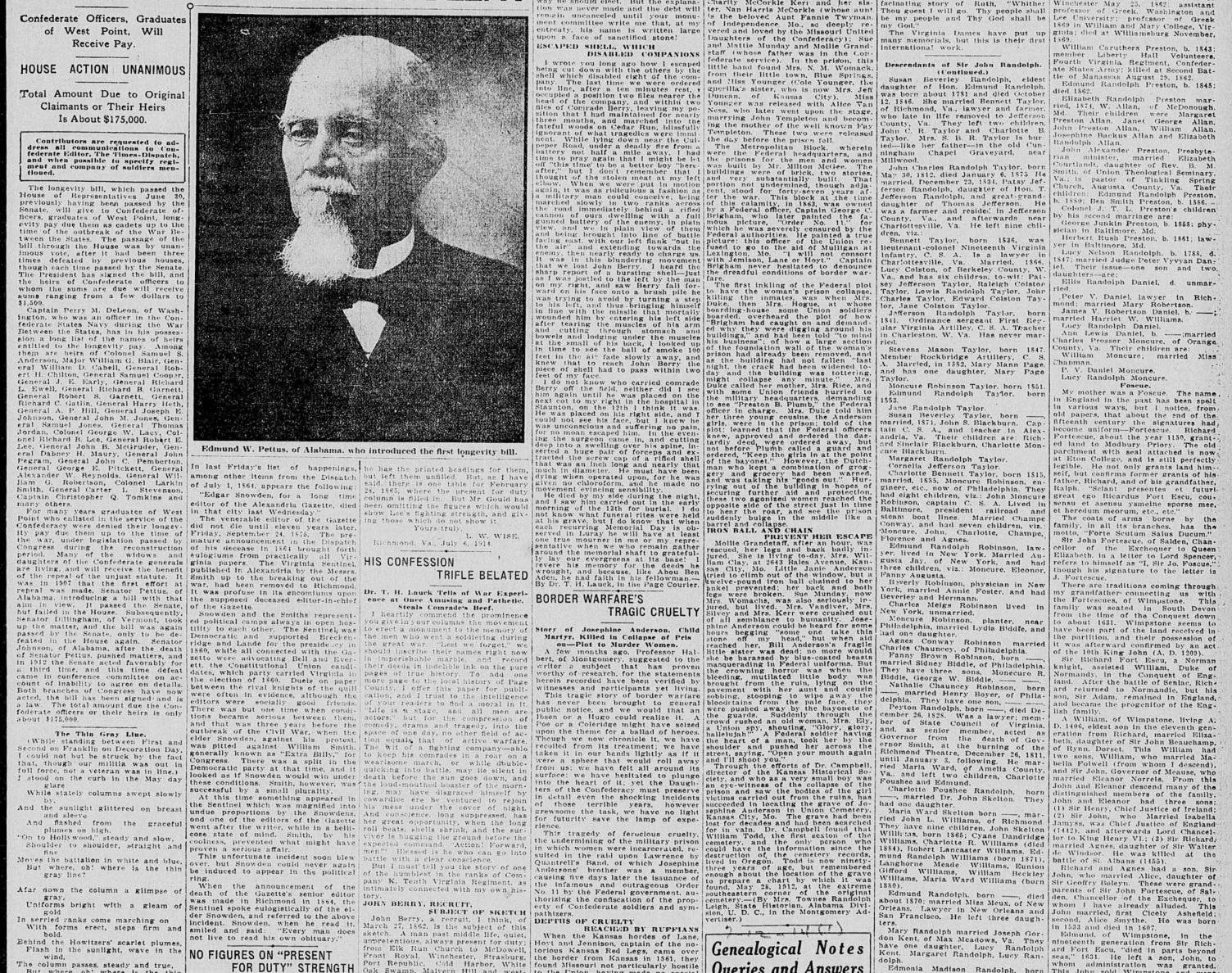
Its glory rests on land and sea
With a fadiant gleam, divine
As if heaven itself were smiling down
In love for the thin gray line.

The radiance fades from earth and sea And away in the eastern sky Rides the crescent moon in majesty Mid pink-tipped clouds piled hig And low in the golden west I see One star in bright splendor shine, Thus through ages, undimmed, shall

The fame of the thin gray line.
S. CAMPBELL BERKLEY.

SOME REMINISCENCES; ERRORS OF OLD DAYS

Under the head, "We Beg to Correct," the Alexandria Gazette of a re-cent date has the following: The Richmond Times-Dispatch has for some time been publishing an in-teresting column of events in Virginia fifty years ago. The items in this deread partment are read with interest throughout the State; in fact, where-The Times-Dispatch goes.
e. all human productions, however, errors will necessarily be made.



est to February 20, and which showed Lee's present for duty strength to Lee's present for duty strength to have been 53,904 men, and Grant's 129,948, or, in the proportion of nearly five to two in Grant's favor. Gould has any other of giving Lee's present strength about that time, I would like

Sentinel spoke eulogistically of the elder Snowden, and referred to the above incident. Snowden, when he read it, smiled and said: "Every man does not live to read his own obituary."

NO FIGURES ON "PRESENT FOR DUTY" STRENGTH

To the Editor of The Times Pilot.

strength about that time, I would like or him to give them. But, remember, I want present for duty strength strength about that time have the for him to give them. But, remember, I want present for duty strength with the location of our bivounc, and I want present for duty strength with the theorem of the form of the work of the

reply, and I tried to look as innocent at Bill Anderson, the guerilla, within as if I had been Clint Robinson, but the Federal (Jennison's) power. There, it was a hard pull on my dignity. I too, were Mrs. Susan Vandiver, her gentlemen will gather to memorialize reply, and I tried to look as innocent as if I had been Clint Robinson, but it was a hard pull on my dignity. I considered the substitution a good joke and intended after three days of secret gloating, to tell my old comrade he could have his revenge any way he should elect. But the explanation was never made and the debt will remain uncanceled until your monument committee write me that, at my entreaty, his name is written large upon a face of sanctified stone!

ESCAPED SHELL, WHICH

DISABLED COMPANIONS

I wrote you long ago how I escaped

John Berry, a recruit, I think, of sketch. A man past middle life, quiet umpretentious, always present for duty; from Elk Run Church to McDowell, Front Royal, Winchester, Strasburg, Port Republic, Cold Harbor, White Cak Swamp, Malvern Hill and west-ward again on the long, wearlsome march to Gordonsville and Orange Courthouse. What a summary of historic names he helped to write down sue, I have to say that his figures might be official as to the grand aggregate of Lee's army, including the sick and wounded, prisoners of war in the hands of the enemy, teamsters, cooks, musicians, detailed men of all kinds, deserters and all other kinds of absentees, either with or without leave, etc., etc., but none of the figures which he has given are official as to Lee's present for duty; I think, of Sketch. A man past middle life, quiet, umpretentious, always present for duty; from Elk Run Church to McDowell, Front Royal, Winchester, Strasburg, Port Republic, Cold Harbor, White Cak Swamp, Malvern Hill and west-ward again on the long, wearisome march to Gordonsville and Orange Courthouse. What a summary of historic names he helped to write down to his country's credit!

On August 8 his weariness made him a strangler and his hunger made depths of crueltry REACHED BY RUFFIANS

When the Kansas hordes of Lane, Hovt and Jennison, captain of the no-torious Kansas Red Legs, came over the border from Kansas in 1861, they found Missouri not particularly hostile to the Union, having made no special arrangements for defense, but the depths of crueltry REACHED BY RUFFIANS

When the Kansas hordes of Lane, Hovt and Jennison, captain of the motivity and Jennison, captain of th kinds, deserters and all other kinds of absentees, either with or without leave, etc., etc., but none of the figures which he has given are official as to the edge of a wood, he came slowing the line of fires as though loth the edge of that kind in his haversack. His measure he had in his haversack and the present and the present and the present and absent, and they are not in all cases correct. In my article, I gave Lee's present for duty strength, taken from the official figures' as given by Grant's chief of staff, General A. A. Humphreys, for February 20, 1865, and also Grant's present for duty strength to feel must be down the lines of five and to down the lines and the same author on the day near-from the same author on the day near-for the same author of the figures as given by piece of meat into our kettle. We consented and he threw himself down hanged, burial by friends often had been kind enough to feed him and to give him something extra. We were had been kind enough to feed him and to give him something extra. We were called to arms after dark and hurried across a field and faced North along a line of fence to intercept and capture if possible, a body of Yankee cavalry reported to be on our west flank. We left our fires smouldering to conceal the location of our bivouac, and were kent in silent watch for a hour and const. Many a Missourians, by the time effort of husbands, brothers and some many a Missourians, brothers are two went with him to England. Much was made of the shy women and children would be left to limit turned into a London lady was rather a pathetic incident. She were kent in silent watch for an hour and could not go South and join General.

She married John Rolfe, and in a vear or two went with him to England. Much was made of the shy to receive the limit of the could not go south and join General.

She married John Rolfe, and in a vear or two went with him to England. Much was made of the shy women and children would be left to limit turned into a London lady was rather a pathetic incident. She was not altogether glad, and she was and sons. Mary a Missourians, for if they did so, the women and children would be left to limit turned into a London lady was rather a pathetic incident.

Genealogical Notes Queries and Answers Address all communications to Genealogical Editor, The Times-Dispatch.

Virginian History Memorialized at Gravesend, Eng., on July 16, 1914. Over 300 year ago a young girl, with a dark skin and a heart of gold, had a vision as wonderful and as revolutionizing as the vision of Joan of Arc. This dusky maiden lived upon the banks of York River, in Virginia and her home was a rude wigwam. The cry of her race was the destruc-tion of the pale face. The cry of her soul was His salvation. The cruel blow about to fall upor the ruling spirit of the little Virginia

colony—John Smith—was averted by her fearless zeal, and again, amidst the shadows of night, she stole mile after mile through the dense woods to warn John Smith; to put him on guard against the bitter vengeance of her people. In saving Smith she saved Virginia. English-America must look

gentlemer will gather to memorialize that heroism which is true heroism, ne matter who displays it. These windows are unusually beautiful. The subject of the windows is the ever facinating story of Ruth, "Whither Winchester May 25, 1862, assistant

international work.

Edmonia Madison Randolph, born
April 17, 1787, died October, 1847, married Thomas Lewis Preston, of Smithfield. He lived in Lexington, Va.; was
a lawyer; member of Virginia Legislature, and died in 1812, leaving two
children.

children.

Elizabeth Randolph Preston, born 1808, married William A. Cocke, of Oakland, Cumberland County, Va. He died in 1855. They had four sons:

William Fauntleroy Cocke, farmer, lieutenant Company E. Eighteent Vis. Randolphs intermarried. As the Randolphs went to Vision 1809.

died in 1855. They had four sons:

William Fauntleroy Cocke, farmer, lieutenant Company E, Eighteenth Virvinia Regiment, Confederate States army. Killed at Gettysburb July 3, 1863. Not married.

Thomas Lewis Preston Cocke, farmer, Cumberland County, Va. Married first, Letitia Lewis, of the Sweet Springs, Va.; and, second, Mary Booth Curtls. By the first wife he had one daughter, Elizabeth Randolph Preston Cocke. By second wife he had william Fauntleroy Cocke, Hariet Throekmortop Cocke, Charles Curtis Cocke, Maria Curtis Cocke, Preston Cocke.

Maria Curtis Cocke, Preston Cocke.

Maria Curtis Cocke, Preston Cocke.

For ten years I tried to get a copy

morton Cocke, Charles Curtis Cocke, Maria Curtis Cocke, Preston Cocke, Edmund Randolph Cocke, b.—; captain Eighteenth Virginia Regiment.

John Preston Cocke, b. —, lawyer in Richmond, Va., married Elizabeth information.

Bernard Meredith, Ella Meredith Cocke, Madam, I b. 1873; Edmonia Madison

Margaret Junkin, lawyer, professor of Latin in the Virginia Military Institute, Heutenant-colonel Ninth Virginia Regi-ment, Confederate States Army, chief of staff for General Jackson from No-

1835; Presbyterian minister, pastor First Presbyterian Church in Rich-mond and of church in Lexington; mond and of church in Lexington; married, 1861, Lucy Waddell, daughter of Dr. L. Waddell, of Waynesboro, Va. William Caruthers Preston, b. 1862; lawyer in Richmond, married, 1888, Lizzle Myers. Anne Estell Preston, 1871, d. —; Janetta Alexander Pres-ton, John T. L. Preston, b. 1875. Edmonia Madison Randolph Preston,

Phoebe Alexander Preston, b. 1839;

Cocke (see above); died in August.

Thou goest I will go. Thy people shall be my people and Thy God shall be my God."

The Virginia Dames have put up many memorials, but this is their first literartical will be my first literartical.

William Caruthers Preston, b. 1843 member Liberty Hall Volunteers Fourth Virginia Regiment, Confeder

Edmund Randolph, born —, died about 1870; married Miss Meux, of New Orleans. Lawyer in New Orleans and San Francisco. He left three daugh- second, Alice Smythe. He was born in 1533 and died in 1607.

Mary Randolph married Joseph Gordon Kent, of Max Meadows, Va. They have one daughter, Lucy Randolph Kent. Margaret Randolph, Lucy Randolph Colph.

Edmonia Madison Randolph have the first Escu, "died in parts beyond seas," 1831. He left a son, John, to whom administration was granted.

For ten years I tried to get a copy of a "History of the Family of Forte-cues." by Thomas (Fortecues) Lord Clevement, and was at last successful captain Eighteenth Virginia Regiment, Confederate States Army; farmer, Oak-Isind, Cumberland County, Va. Married, first. Phoebe A. Preston, his cousin; second, Lucia Cary Harrison, By his first wife, Sally Lyle Preston Cocke, b. 1873; by his second wife, Elizabeth Randolph Cocke, b. 1882; Edmund R. Cocke, b. 1883.

Edmund R. Cocke, b. 1883.

Lohn Preston Cocke, b. 1883. but he died before even my mother was old enough to fully value such

Madam, I would not presume to ask you to take the trouble to make any b. 1879, d. 1886; Sara Bernard Cocke, b. research in this matter, but thought b. 1819, d. 1886; Sara Bernard Cocke, b. 1885.

John Thomas Lewis Preston, of Lexington, Va., b. 1811, married, first, 1822, 18ally Lyle Caruthers; second, 1857, Margaret Junkin; lawyer, professor of Letin in the Virginia Military Institute.

As I suppose copies of the follow-ing could not be purchased, would be glad if you would let me know where can be seen: "Hotten's List of Persons to America." of staff for General Jackson from No-they can be seen. Hotten's List of vember, 1861 to February, 1862. His Emigrants, "Hotten's List of Persons children by his first wife are:

Thomas Lewis Preston, D. D., b. I assure you that a reply will be most highly appreciated.

Very respectfully, JESSE GEORGE WHITFIELD.

